

RESOLUTION NO. RS2019-1748

A resolution recognizing Vanderbilt LifeFlight on their 35th anniversary of providing service to Tennessee.

WHEREAS, the Vanderbilt LifeFlight program began operations on July 5, 1984 with one Bell 206 Long Range helicopter; and

WHEREAS, Vanderbilt LifeFlight is the critical care air and ground medical transport service of Vanderbilt University Medical Center, supporting the Level 1 Trauma Center; and

WHEREAS, the LifeFlight program provides the highest level of care possible in the safest manner to the people of our service area, and strives to provide quality education to our colleagues in the emergency services field; and

WHEREAS, Vanderbilt LifeFlight averages more than 3,000 flights per year, serving all parts of Tennessee, utilizing a critical care nurse/critical care paramedic team; and

WHEREAS, today LifeFlight has expanded to nine helicopters, one airplane, and nine ground ambulances,

WHEREAS, LifeFlight provides emergency medical care and coverage to millions of people each year at special events as part of its Event Medicine division, including those held at Bridgestone Arena, Vanderbilt University, Belmont University, Ascend Amphitheater, First Tennessee Park/Nashville Sounds, and the Nashville Soccer Club; and

WHEREAS, LifeFlight serves as the Regional Medical Communications Center for Middle Tennessee and assists in disaster planning and coordination; and

WHEREAS, LifeFlight regularly trains more than 3,800 emergency care providers, including first responders, EMTs, AEMTs, Paramedics, Critical Care Paramedics, Police Officers, Firefighters, 911 communicators, emergency nurses and physicians; and

WHEREAS, Vanderbilt LifeFlight is nationally recognized as a leader in patient care and safety and was the first program in Tennessee to receive accreditation from the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems (CAMTS); and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the Metropolitan Council recognize the commitment, dedication and valuable services of the men and women who make the LifeFlight program a success.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE AND DAVIDSON COUNTY:

Section 1. That the Metropolitan Council hereby goes on record as recognizing the commitment, dedication, and invaluable service provided by the men and women who make the Vanderbilt LifeFlight program a success upon the occasion of their 35th anniversary providing such services.

Section 2. That the Metropolitan Clerk is hereby directed to send a copy of this Resolution to the Vanderbilt LifeFlight administrative office.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect from and after its adoption, the welfare of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County requiring it.

INTRODUCED BY:

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Member of Council